The Logger's Bark
RADIO CLUB of TACOMA

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From the Editor

Howdy Folks

Most kids are back to school this week, the State Fair is well under-way, and the annual Salmon Run festivities are just around the corner.

The club leadership is trying something new this year with regards to the Salmon Run pledge drive. Instead of limiting the invitations to support W7DK to club members only, pledge forms and membership applications are being sent to approximately 1000 licensed amateurs in the Tacoma region. Hopefully this will not only generate revenue, but be a success in increasing our membership with new applicants or reinstating lapsed memberships.

An interesting (to me, anyway) tidbit came along a few weeks ago. How did "The Logger's Bark" get its name??

As it was explained to me, way back in the olden days before computer logging, contesting was a bit more different and hectic. A crew of folks were on duty supporting the operators by mainaining old-fashioned paper logs. Since during contests penalties were sometimes assessed for duplicate entries, an important function of the logger was to advise the operator when his or her contact was a "diupe"

Upon hearing a call sign that had already been recorded, the Logger would bark out loudly "DUPE" to the operator, thereby passing on the information that the qso could be curtailed. Thus arose the term "Logger's Bark"

OK, enough trivia. Enjoy the month of September, be sure to visit the W7DK booth at the fair, and help out the club by participating and pledging during the Salmon Run.

73 de Mike W7MWF

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7 August 2013

The 7 August 2013 Radio Club of Tacoma Board meeting was held at the Radio Club of Tacoma.

Officers and board members present:

President	Gary McAdams WG7X
Secretary	Larry Watson KD4VOM
Treasurer	Bob Purdom AD7LJ
Board Member	Bruce Hanson WE7P
Board Member	Al Ferguson N7OMS

There were 7 names on the attendance roster

Minutes:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the July 2013 Board meeting as coordinated.

HEALTH AND WELFARE: Mike Mikuchonis W7XTZ is recovering from recent surgery, and Mike Finnie W7WMF has suffered the loss of sight in one eye.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Bank Statements
Utility and Phone Bills
Newsletters
Memberships
QSL cards
QEX Journal

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Purdom AD7LJ provided financial reports for June and July. *A copy of those reports are attached to the original copy of these minutes.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Larry KD4VOM

Current membership stands at 300

Larry also proposed changes to the new member processing focusing on providing new member information on the Club's website

RCT Information Technology Committee: – Randy Myers WB4SBP No formal report

Property Management: .

Replacement HF RF Amplifier tubes have been delivered

Planning Committee Report: Larry KD4VOM

No Report

HF and Repeater Operations:

HF Operations:

There was a discussion on adding the second HF operating position to the HF room. Included were ideas for rearranging/relocating some of the museum artifacts and keys to provide sufficient space for the added HF operating position.

Repeater Operations:

Nick Winter K7MO's reports work on both the 440 and 147.28 repeater systems, and reports that the 147.38 repeater is awaiting replacement BNC to RG-400 connectors.

The 147.28 repeater transmitter power has been increased from 10 to 80 watts but there are questions about de-sensing which will be addressed.

Follow-up discussion on the proposal to link the 440 and 147.28 repeaters for the Tuesday night net resulted in a decision to do that.

RCT Repeater Status:

W7DK 145.21 Repeater, Bates Channel 28: Status – Awaiting replacement with Master II controller

W7DK 147.28 Repeater Clubhouse: Status – Operational

W7DK 147.38 Repeater Crawford Mountain: Status – Down – Bench awaiting installation work and return to service

W7DK 440.625 Repeater Clubhouse Status – Operational

IRLP (147.28 Repeater) Operational

IRLP Configuration: Following solicitation from the membership on the future of the Club's IRLP system, the decision was made to retain it on the 147.28 repeater.

Facilities Management: Bruce Hanson WE7P

Ants have invaded the clubhouse, and pest control is needed

The upstairs carpet continues to be a potential tripping hazard.

Training:

Next Technician Class is scheduled for October 5/6.

General Class in the works: Stephen AD7AB is asking for Extra Class instructors to take sections of the course, which will be taught using the "W7BUN" Seligman method, in which students prepare the lessons and are supported by the Instructor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Emergency Operations: Larry KD4VOM reports;

District 5 ARES DIGITAL NET BASIC DIGITAL TRAINING

A new beginning session will start Monday 19 August

When: Mondays beginning August 19, 2013 at 7:30pm and

Wednesdays, at 7 pm, same repeater

Location: The W7EAT 146.700 MHz Repeater minus offset 103.5 tone (Eatonville)

Description: We are starting a new session of Basic Digital Training on 8-19-2013 at 7:30 and then on 8-21-2013 at 7:00 our regularly scheduled weekly nets.

Download the FLDIGI and the FLMSG programs and join in.

Download these programs at: http://www.w1hkj.com.

Participants should get a head start with the Course Manual located at the ARES District 5 Website at http://www.piercecountyares.net/radio-operation and download the course document at: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uV4p0qsKs9ZE7UZ9EbbVeOve6y2aAYrrvlJZsLUXfbM/edit?authkey=CISiqvk

There was a discussion of RCT participation in this training, and questions about whether we have our gear and software ready for inviting members to participate. It was agreed to meet at the Clubhouse for the Monday 12 August session to determine what needs to be done to insure we are ready to participate.

NEW BUSINESS:

Salmon Run and Pledge Drive: **Al Ferguson N7MOS** proposed we expand our Salmon Run to include area non RCT member hams. The proposal would also provide promotional information about the RCT history and community public service and capabilities. The proposal suggested a letter providing Club history, capabilities and service and soliciting membership, together with an invitation to participate in the RCT fundraiser the Salmon Run Pledge Drive

Larry Watson KD4VOM provided a cost estimate for a bulk mail to a thousand local area hams. That estimate indicates costs at around $ 778.00 and is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

There was a general discussion addressing who to send the package to, the timeline necessary to meet the nominal Salmon Run Pledge drive, and the need to develop a reasonably correct mailing list to minimize costly returned mail. A recent copy of the FCC amateur radio license list has been downloaded and needs to be converted to a usable form and a list of area hams, likely by zip code, established for the mailing.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the expenditure of up to $ 1,000.00 to prepare and bulk mail the RCT Promotional and Salmon Run Pledge drive package.

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

W7DK at the Fair:

Stephen AD7AB has the duty tour roster set up on the W7DK.org website and it is filling up faster than previous years. Please contact Stephen for more information.

Stephen is also asking for folks wishing to participate in the Club's Booth design and setup.

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General Meeting Notes
14 August 2013

The 14 August 2013 General Membership meeting was held at the Pierce County Library Administration Building at Waller Road and 112th Street. .

President Vice President Casey Hicks WY7V called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Officers and board members present:

Vice President	Casey Hicks WY7V
Secretary	Larry Watson KD4VOM
Board	Bruce Hanson WE7P
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Board	Jim Mendenhall KE6WHN

A sign in sheet with the names of members and guests is attached to the original copy of these minutes. There were 31 names on the attendance roster.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was led by Vice President Casey WY7V

INTRODUCTIONS: Guests and Self introductions were completed.

ILLNESS OR SILENT KEY: Mike Mikuchonis W7XTZ reports Dave W7HTJ Andresen's wife is very ill and not expected to recover

Correspondence:

The Secretary reported
Membership Applications
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The Field Day Pig surrogate was circulated to collect donations for Field Day operations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Training: The next Technician's class will be held on 5 & 6 October

Stephen is also ginning up a General Class and is seeking Extra Class licensees to help teach the program.

VE REPORT by John AC7WW

Tuesday August 13, 2013 at the Radio Club of Tacoma clubhouse, seven Volunteer Examiners graded three elements from three candidates. A young lady of 14 passed element three to become a General. A sixteen year old young lady and her father failed to obtain an initial license.

Thanks to the following VE's for their time and effort.

Leonard, KA7NWF	Dale, N3MO
Jan, K7HTU	Jon, AD7AW
Rich, KK7VH	Stephen, AD7AB

The next monthly scheduled testing session will be Tuesday September 10, 2013.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

IRLP – Repeater Configuration: Larry KD4VOM announced that at the last Board meeting there was a lengthy discussion about the utility of the IRLP and the possibility of re-hosting it to the Club's 440 MHz repeater. The Board is soliciting feedback and input relative to these proposed changes in the Club's IRLP/ Repeater configuration and operations. Please contact any Board member, or send email inputs through the Club website at W7DK.org

Mixed thoughts by the group, maybe link the 440 and 2 meter repeaters together.

EmComm Digital Training

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Several members, including Randy W4SBP, Al N7OMS, and Larry KD4VOM convened on Monday the 12th to configure and check out the Simmons Room

HF Station gear. They participated in the Monday night Digital Training net with Al Zuck, KJ7UI and confirmed that the FLDIGI program using MT 63 was functioning well. Thanks in large part to recent installation of the new MA 40 Tower and several VHF/ UHF antennas

W7DK@the Fair: Stephen Morton AD7AB

Steve is soliciting sign up for this year's "W7DK at the Fair". Signups are filling the schedule faster than previous years, so get your date picked and register for a tour. The Radio Club of Tacoma has a unique opportunity to present and promote the Radio Club of Tacoma and Amateur Radio to the thousands of visitors to the Fair. The four hour tour signup sheet is on the W7DK.org website. Serving a tour is rewarding, and also provides a free ticket to the Fair. Stephen is also looking for four or five folks who can help with the design and setup of the Fair Booth. Steve can be contacted through the W7DK.org website or by email at:

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ad7ab@w7dk.org

PROGRAM: Portable Solar Power video

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Salmon Run and Pledge Drive: Al Ferguson N7OMS

Al described a new initiative to promote the Radio Club of Tacoma, solicit new members and invite them to participate in our annual Salmon Run Pledge Drive.

SHOW AND TELL: None reported

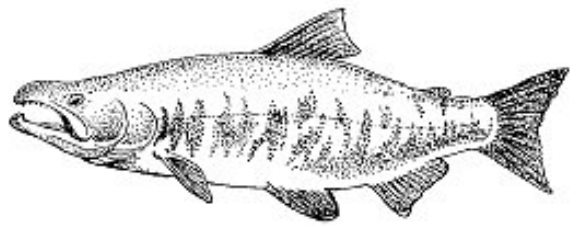
TUNING AND TRAFFIC: None reported

DOOR PRIZES: Al Churchill AC7BU took home the solar lights

RAFFLE PRIZE: Mike Mikuchonis W7XTZ won 50-50 Raffle

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm

General Meeting Notes
28 August 2013



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Secretary Larry Watson KD4VOMcalled the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was led by Secretary Larry KD4VOM

INTRODUCTIONS: Guests and Self introductions were completed.

ILLNESS OR SILENT KEY: Larry KD4VOM reports receiving a message from Jerry Hathaway K7ETU sadly reporting the passing of Donna Hathaway RCT # 784 and Lifetime Associate member.

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Letter from Bert Knoll W4KW

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Salmon Run QSO Party and Pledge Drive:

It's time again for our annual fund raiser, the Salmon Run Pledge Drive

With the loss of our annual Hamfest income, it has become even more important to raise operating and maintenance funds to keep the Radio Club of Tacoma humming, and our Clubhouse working for the membership.

This year we are also initiating a broader Club promotional campaign to solicit new members from our area of interest, as well as to solicit their support of the Club's Mission and Service objectives.

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You can find the Fair Schedule at the w7dk.org website using this link:

http://www.w7dk.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&id=35&Itemid=10

ELECTIONS ARE COMING

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Terms expire 12/31/2013: WY7V, KD4VOM, N7OMS, KA7BOJ, WE7P

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Timeline:

September 11 Wed General Membership Meeting

Latest date that the Nominating Committee can be appointed

October 9 Wed General Membership Meeting:

Nominating Committee Report,

Nominations from the Floor,

Election Committee Appointed

October 20

Annual Election Ballots must be mailed out on or before this date

November 5

Annual Election Ballots must be postmarked by this date

Or delivered personally at the November Annual Membership Meeting

Ballots counted and results announced

To be nominated for an officer position requires two years current active membership

To be nominated for a Director position requires one year current active membership

Any nomination requires the consent of the nominee

JAMBOREE ON THE AIR:

Steve Schumaker K7DFC is in the midst of planning an event to take place from 18-21 Oct, at Wilcox Farms. He has a few people coming out to set up stations, to work the event on our special 1x1 call sign W7S. He would love to have more folks out there set up field day style. Please let him know if you or anyone else is interested.

Steve K7DFC

253-861-5467

Yet another opportunity to support and attract younger members into our hobby.

Here's a link to the ARRL JOTA page: http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jot

Jamboree-on-the-Air is held the third weekend in October. The official hours are from Saturday at 00:00 hours local time (right at midnight Friday) to Sunday 24:00 (midnight Sunday evening). So you've got the whole weekend to make JOTA contacts.

The World Scout Bureau reported that the 2010 JOTA had just over 700,000 Scout participants from nearly 6,000 amateur radio stations! Modern technology offers Scouts the exciting opportunity to make friends in other countries without leaving home. JOTA is an annual event in which Boy and Girl Scouts and Guides from all over the world speak to each other by means of Amateur (ham) Radio.

PROGRAM: Building a multi band antenna (aka fan dipole)

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Board Agenda items coming up:

Several important topics are coming up at next Board meeting:

RCT Meetings: The Board is considering the possibility of changing the purpose and location of the second monthly meeting to conduct training, workshops, and projects at the Clubhouse.

RCT Repeaters: The Board is considering it's repeater systems configuration and needs.

SHOW AND TELL: Bob Hewlett N7NCP described and passed around a homebrew toroid filter used to control RF power and noise into the shack**.**

TUNING AND TRAFFIC: None reported

DOOR PRIZES: New member John Wickliffe picked up tonight's door prize…

RAFFLE PRIZE: None conducted

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm

As part of the preparation for the 2012 Washington State QSO Party (affectionately known as The Salmon Run), a W7DK work crew assists in stuffing envelopes with pledge forms for mailing to all club members. This year, the opportunity to make a pledge and to join the club will be extended to licensed hams in the Tacoma/ Pierce County region. Hopefully, this venture will be successful not only as a fund-raising effort, but as a recruitment tool to increase memberships in the Radio Club of Tacoma.

Salmon Run 2013
Thoughts from the Event Chairman

Being part of the Club's Salmon Run fundraiser has given me the added benefit of hearing about others' ham radio adventures. In the past I have asked members to get out and operate from the field during the Washington State QSO party, which we also know as the Salmon Run. Well, in 2012 I followed my own advice. With the help of Joe K7ZG we packed up and headed south to Skamania County near the Columbia River. My memories of that weekend are full of glorious Washington scenery, wonderful weather, good company and great QSO's. Joe and I were also able to make a QSO with each of the 39 counties, for that coveted clean sweep.

We were able to contact W7DK several times during the weekend and check up on the Club's effort. I am happy to report that W7DK was also able to get a clean sweep. It was one of those times that I wished to be in two places at once.

This year's effort for the Salmon Run fundraiser is underway and shaping up nicely. With the approval of the Board of Directors, we are doing a membership drive at the same time as the fundraiser. An address database is being built of about 1500 non-member hams that live near the Club House. They will be sent a packet including cover letter, membership form, and Salmon Run pledge sheet. It is our hope that we will increase membership or receive some pledges from well-wishing hams.

If you have ham friends in the area, please take some time to contact them and talk about the Club and the many ways it adds to the ham radio community. Invite them to visit some Saturday or attend a club meeting. Share what has been happening at the club: the license classes, VE testing, Field Day, W7DK at the Fair, the W7OS museum, our Library, the new operating positions down stairs, more rigs on the air, our monthly newsletter, open house on Saturdays, open 2 meter and 440 repeaters, Salmon Run, a growing emergency communications group and more. I'm sure you have other things you could add. Let's take this opportunity to grow our Club. New members will bring ideas and energy that improves our Club in ways we can't imagine.

The Salmon Run operating event will be held September 21-22. I encourage you to go to the Western Washington DX club website (wwdxc.org) and learn about this fun contest. You still have plenty of time to plan a quick getaway Ham Radio Adventure to a rare county, so pull out the Washington map and get to dreaming. This year I will be helping out at the club house and trying to repeat last year's clean sweep with the fabulous W7DK crew. But who knows about next year. Once you have had that Ham Radio Adventure it sets the mind to thinking about the possibilities for others.

If you do go out and about, please look for W7DK on the airwaves and let us know how your Salmon Run experience is going. If you find yourself here in Tacoma, stop by the Club House, see how we are doing and maybe operate for a bit. Bring that ham friend and let them see what they have been missing. Either way, I hope you do that special dance to the sun, to favor us with good propagation.
Plans for the actual operating part of the Salmon Run contest are still being finalized by the contesting crew, so I can't tell you what class we will be running. Also, I'm not sure about the potluck, but I am hoping we can cover these items at the next Board meeting (open to all members). When all the plans have been firmed up there will be an e-mail, website info, and net and meeting announcements to spread the word.

Being part of the Club's Salmon Run efforts for the past few years have really been good times for me. I am proud of the efforts of the members to make this event come off so well, and to all the members of the Radio Club of Tacoma, 73.

Al, N7OMS

The Boatanchor Chronicles
Musings of a Retrotechnologist
Part 2
By Mike W7MWF

In the ongoing saga of the restoration of the EH Scott SLR-F receiver, I don't have a lot of progress to report this month. It seems that too many other commitments and obligations got in the way of having fun!

However, I did get a couple of tasks accomplished and others started. I completed the rebuilding of 12 of the 15 'bathtub' capacitors. The three that remain are installed so as to be virtually inaccessible without extensive dismantling of several of the complex internal components. I am a little concerned that I might do more harm than good by trying to tinker with them So as I puzzle through that, I'll move forward with other needed replacements and repairs.

Although the bezel for the frequency dial was in great shape, the lens had long since been lost or had melted away. Residue inside the bezel leads me to believe that it had at least partially melted.

So with a scrounged piece of 1/16 inch Plexiglas (Thanks Rich) I managed to cut a new lens.

If you look closely, you'll see a small hole in the bottom of the lens, through which a screw passes to mount the indicator needle.

Shaping the lens was accomplished by scoring the Plexiglas to dimension, then snapping the waste pieces off. Luckily, nothing shattered and just a tiny bit of sanding off some burrs made a perfect fit.

I've never been successful drilling this type of acrylic, so I heated up a soldering iron and plunged it through the lense at the exact spot I needed the screw hole. No muss, no fuss.

After reassembly, the refurbished component is crystal-clear and aligns perfectly with the index numbers on the dial.

Next month, stand by for more adventures with electrolytic caps.

Technical Correspondence

by Rich KR7W

Hello folks… there is nothing new in ham radio technology this month. That's right nothing'…. So this month we will have an encore performance of a subject already presented. In other words– a rerun.

This radio has 27 knobs that look alike. It's clear which knob adjusts the volume.

Have you ever sat down at another persons ham station or been in another hams car with a mobile radio and wanted to adjust the volume of the radio? Not sure which knob to turn? Ya might accidently mess something up on the owners radio? This geekly suggestion just might help.

With only two obvious choices to adjust the volume– the painted knob ups the chances of choosing the correct knob the first time.

Get yourself a small container of RED Latex paint and a small brush– like for model airplanes. We are gonna paint a red dot on the volume knob.

Take a look at the volume knob. If there is a set screw– find the appropriate tool– allen wrench or screwdriver. It's good to know that most modern radios have knobs that pull off. Easy-Peasy.

Make sure that the knobs paint job is absolutely dry before putting it back on the radio.

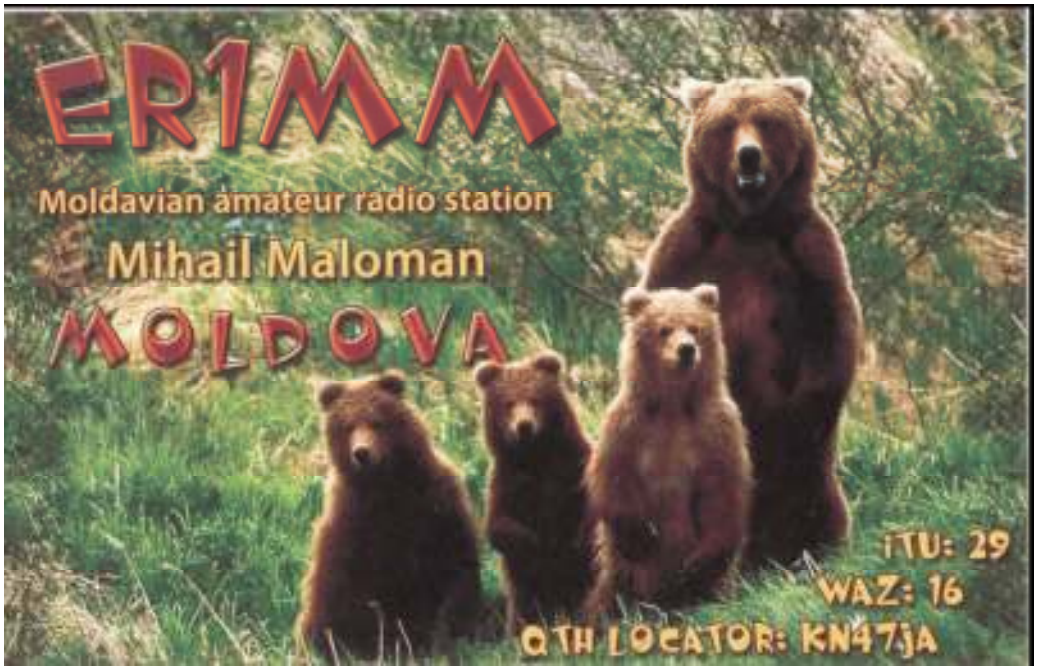
Hey, readers… send me some suggestions on content for next months column. -30– kr7w

Memories of Salmon Run 2012

In the photo to the right, Pat WT7N operates the HF equipment and scores some points for the Mighty DK in its successful quest to achieve a 'clean sweep' during the 2012 Washington QSO Party.

POSTCARDS FROM THE EDGE

The Bark is again pleased to feature several QSL cards from the extensive collection of Harry N7DOE. Thanks Harry for so graciously sharing some of your cards with us. This month we take a glimpse into the Animal Kingdom.



All club members are invited and encouraged to contribute cards, photos, stories, opinions, observations, or other tidbits for publication in The Bark. Either email them to me as a jpg file, or bring them by the clubhouse on a Saturday and I'll scan them.

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Radio Club Repeaters

Central Tacoma: 147.280 + PL=103.5
Crawford Mountain (SE Thurston County): 147.380 + PL=103.5
Central Tacoma: 440.625 + PL=103.5

Remember - For the latest and most current information on events and activities, visit the Radio Club of Tacoma Website w7dk.org. Be sure to enroll as a member to see all the info.

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To RCT Member:

Upcoming RCT Events

CLUB MEETINGS: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Library Administration Building 112th and Waller Road. The club meets at 7:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend.

Board Meeting: First Wednesday of the month at the RCT clubhouse. All members are welcome to attend .

Bark Deadline: Last week-end of each month. Please submit articles by that time!

Check into the weekly two meter net: Tuesdays at 7:30 PM on the club repeater on 147.280 MHz

Check into the weekly 10 meter net: Sundays at 8:00 PM on 28.375 MHz .